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HUMAN EFFECTIVENESS DIRECTORATE

***BATTLE MANAGEMENT
TRAINING EFFECTIVENESS:
MCE INITIATIVE***

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Overview

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Modular Control Equipment (MCE)





Global Battlespace Information Sphere



**Total Connectivity for Warfighting
Decisionmaking**



Team Members

- **Lab Personnel**
 - **Becky Brooks, Program Manager**
 - **Mike Conquest, Program Engineer**
 - **Maj John Davis, SME**
- **133 ACS, Ft Dodge, IA**
 - **Maj Dick Breitbach, IA ANG Program Manager**
 - **MSgt Bob Steffes, Engineering SME**
- **107 ACS, Phoenix, AZ**



Customers

- **Air National Guard**
- **ACC/DISG**
- **HQ FORSCOM**
- **325 TRS/DOX (Schoolhouse)**



Objectives

- **Engineering**
 - **Interface MCE With AirSF**
 - **Demo Potential To Interface MCE with DMT**
- **Training**
 - **Conduct Needs Analysis**
 - **Develop, Evaluate, Refine, and Transition Embedded Training**



Preliminary Training Needs (Cont)

- **Stand-Alone Proficiency Training**
- **Theater Certification Training (CMR)**
- **Air Battle Manager Training**
- **Joint Service Training Exercises (JSTEs)**
- **Maintenance**

Training Is Needed To Address All Levels of Training (Individual, Team, and Joint Service).



Preliminary Training Needs

- **Scenarios**
 - **Quickly Generated**
 - **Tailored to Meet Training Needs**
 - **Large Number of Players (Blue and Red)**
 - **Voice Recognition -- Comm With CGF Aircraft**
 - **Comm and Training With Manned Sims**
- **Reduce/Eliminate Requirement for Operators to Serve as “Drivers of the Dots”**
 - **“Dots” That Have Realistic/Enhanced Dynamics/Tactics**
- **Weapons Director/Air Battle Manager Train As A 5th Member of the 4-Ship**



Air Synthetic Forces (AirSF)

- **Computer Models of Military Pilots**
- **Provides Aircraft (Scenarios) For MCE Operators to Control**
- **Soar Speak Will Allow MCE Operators to Verbally Control AirSF Aircraft**



Status

- **Integrated With AirSF**
- **Sent Tracks To MCE Using AirSF -- June 98**
- **Next Steps:**
 - **Technical Documentation**
 - **Identify Industry Partner For Long Term Support**
 - **Identify External Funding**
 - **Training Research**
 - ◆ **Unique Training Opportunities**
 - ◆ **Distributed Training Issues**



Growth Potential

- **Enhancements and Expansion**
 - **Additional ACSs**
 - **AOCs**
 - **AWACS**
 - **JSTARS**
 - **ABCCC**
 - **UAVs**
 - **Rivet Joint**
 - **Etc**
- **Imagination/Creativity and Funding Are The Limiting Factors**



Industry Partner

- **Seeking A Collaboratory Industry Partner to:**
 - **Complete Integration of MCE With DMT**
 - **Provide Long Term Support on All MCE Equipment Throughout ACC and ANG**
- **AFRL To Transition:**
 - **Technology to ACC and Industry for Long Term Support**
 - **Future Technology Updates, Refinements, and Training Research**



User Thoughts

“This could change everything”

Capt Susan Huper (HQ ACC/DISG)



QUESTIONS?





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BACKUP SLIDES

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OPERATIONAL NEED

- **ACC and 552 ACW Wing Requirement to:**
 - **Provide Additional, High Fidelity Training Opportunities For Weapons Directors (WDs)**
 - **Increase Continuation Training Opportunities**
 - **Improve Overall Mission Crew Training**
- **ACC/DISG Directed by COMACC To:**
 - **Provide Distributed C2 Training Capability "On Demand"**
 - **Link all ACSs, AOCs, ABCCC, JSTARS, AWACS, and TACSSF to Provide High Level Battle Mgt Training**
 - **Train With "Man In The Loop"**
 - **Enhance Mission Rehearsal**



ACC DISTRIBUTED C2 TRAINING SITES

- **552 ACW (AWACS Simulators)**
- **6 Air Control Squadrons**
 - 71 ACS**
 - 74 ACS**
 - 607 ACS**
 - 726 ACS**
 - 728 ACS**
 - 729 ACS**
- **AOCs: 8AF, 9 AF, 12 AF**
- **ABCCC: 42 ACS**
- **JSTARS: 93 ACW**
- **TACSSF**